



NAFSA REGION I NEWS

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EXPLORING THE HIDDEN GEMS
IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

A note from the Region I Chair:

As your busy autumn terms start I invite you to look forward to connecting with colleagues and friends at the **NAFSA Region I Conference in Boise, Idaho, October 20 - 23rd**. We're planning a diverse program including, four pre-conference workshops, a gala auction, networking, job search opportunities, cultural

entertainment and much more. Please join us. We'd like you to get involved and contribute to our rich community. I'm looking forward to seeing you there.

Dana Brolley, Chair

Conference Registration Reminder

A friendly reminder that registration for the Region I Conference in Boise is open for both attendees and exhibitors! [To register, visit the NAFSA Region I Conference page.](#) Don't be late --the Early-Bird Registration closes on September 19, 2015.

Alaska Airlines Flight Discounts to Boise

Alaska Airlines is offering a 7% discount on travel to Boise for the Regional Conference with travel dates between October 16 and 27 to allow for extra time before and/or after the



conference. To get the discount, go to alaskaair.com, select "Book" from the top menu bar and the "Flights" to reach the "Discounts" option field. Enter the discount code and begin looking for flights. The rates will include the discount.

Discount code: ECMW494

Plus, for every 40 people booking their flights with the discount code, one free ticket will be issued. The fare will be refunded to

the lucky recipient(s). [Important step: please be sure to register your flight when you book so that we can get credit for the flights and you can be entered to win! CLICK HERE!](#)

Boise Highlights

We are excited to experience the wonderful city of Boise throughout the conference. Look forward to fun events in the city coordinated by our Local Arrangements Chair, like restaurant hops and pub crawls.

[Check out this list of 50 things to do in Boise](#) and see why we can't wait to spend the week in this great city.

No shortage of fun things to do before, during, and after the conference .

Like to hike? Make sure to check out Table Rock!

Table Rock is located directly above downtown Boise and is part of the Boise Mountains. The hike (or drive) offers grand views of the Boise skyline, foothills, and valley. The excellent trail system makes it an easy hike and people walk, jog, or bike to the top of Table Rock daily.



Check out table rock before or after conference sessions and enjoy the trails and views of the skyline and beauty of Boise.

Volunteer for the Region I Conference

Looking to get more involved in the conference? We are looking for volunteers for the registration and information desk and help during our auction and gala. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact [Michelle Walters](#) .
Thank you!

Connect with Social Media for Conference News

NAFSA Region 1 is on Instagram!



Follow us to see images of Boise, the site of our conference in Oct. Got any images to share? Feel free to tag us [#nafsaregion1](#) or [@nafsaregion1](#).

Stay informed of conference updates, Boise highlights, and more through our social media outlets! Click on the icons below to follow NAFSA Region I on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn.



Awards Nominations - Nominate a Colleague!

We are still looking for nominations for several different awards for this year! Friday will feature our annual

Awards/Business luncheon, and the Awards portion of the luncheon is a chance for us to recognize three individuals who have shown outstanding commitment to or achievement in the field international education within Region I.

NAFSAn of the Year - Honors a current NAFSA member who has been active in NAFSA for five or more years. The individual may have served in a national leadership role, on the regional team, at regional or national conferences, as a mentor to colleagues, or in other noteworthy ways.

Outstanding Service to Region I - Honors a current NAFSA member whose outstanding service may have been for a specific project or may encompass different areas as with the NAFSAN of the year above. There is no required length of involvement in NAFSA.

Outstanding Community Volunteer - Honors a student or a community volunteer. This individual's contribution may have involved organizing and implementing international programs for the community, serving as a community resource for international students or campus staff, fostering international understanding with local schools or organizations, or educating others about international and intercultural issues. The honoree does not need to be a member of NAFSA.

Rising Star Award - The Rising Star Young Leader Award is given annually in recognition of a professional who has impacted the field of international education during the first five years of the recipient's area of work. The rising star will have demonstrated a commitment to internationalization and an ingenuity of thought that has the potential for having substantial and lasting influence upon global education. May or may not be a NAFSA member, Has served in their present area of expertise/specialization no more than 5 years, Shows passion and has made significant contributions to their department, unit, institution, organization, to the NAFSA community, and/or to the field of international education.

Please consider nominating those special people from within your NAFSA area of interest, state, province, or community who always rise to the challenge. And remember that you don't need to work on your nomination alone; if you've got a great idea for a nominee, contact your friends and colleagues and enlist their support in writing the nomination. Nominations should include a description of the nominee's service and the contact information of both the nominee and the nominator. Nominations should be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. PDT on Friday, October 2, and may be submitted via e-mail to robertr@wsu.edu.

See you in Boise!

Sincerely,

Robert J Rigg

Chair-elect



NAFSA Region I Team